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"Islands, Castles & Portable Operations"
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20/04/2012: Swen HS0ZFZ, Bob HS0ZFD, Joerg HS0ZGQ and Karsten HS0ZIL plan to become active via EME from several squares in the north of Thailand using the special call E2E from 20-25 April, 2012. Donations are welcome for the rebuilding of the Thai clubstation HS0AC of the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand (RAST). QSL via HS0AC. See also: www.moonbouncing.net/e2e.html and www.qsl.net/rast/ [DX Newsletter]

21/04/2012: Francois, F5JNE and Philippe, F1IQE will be active on 21 April 2012 as F5JNE/p from the Mill of Bouffaut (DMF 89-083), commune of Auxerre (CP 89000), Department Yonne/89 and Province Burgundy (DPF 05). QSL via F5JNE, direct or Bureau. [Radioamateur.org]

21/04/2012: Lionel, F5NEP, plans to activate a new reference for the French Castles Award (DFCF) as F5NEP/p on 21 April, 2012. Plans are to be QRV on the lower HF bands from the Castle of Dommerville (DFCF 91-055) and the Tower Chappe d'Angerville, Department Essonne/91 and Province Ile de France (DPF 21). QSL via home call, Bureau or direct. [Radioamateur.org]

21/04/2012: Laurent, F8FSC and Patrick, F4GQF will be active on 21 April 2012 as F8FSC/p from the Mill of Preuilly (DMF 89-081), commune of Auxerre (CP 89000), Department Yonne/89 and Province Burgundy (DPF 05). QSL via F8FSC, direct or REF Bureau. [Radioamateur.org]

21/04/2012: Michel, F8GGZ and Claude, F5MCC will be active as F8GGZ/p on 21 April 2012 from the Mill Brichoux (DMF 89-082), commune of Auxerre (CP 89000), Department Yonne/89 and Province Burgundy (DPF 05). QSL via F5JNE, Bureau or direct. [Radioamateur.org]

21/04/2012: Swiss Flora Fauna Team members Claudio HB9EFJ, Luciano HB9FBI, Andy HB9FBJ, Fiore HB9FAQ and Augusto HB9TZA will be active as HB9WFF/p from Magadino Park (WFF HBFF-101) on 21 April, 2012. This will also include the activation of Forte Olimpo a Magadino (DCS-TI073, WCA HB-00898), Lake Maggiore (WASL-TI002). QRV on mainly 40m and 20m SSB and CW. QSL via HB9FBI, only via the Bureau. [HB9TZA]

21/04/2012: Look for Seppo, SV9/OH1VR to be active from the island of Crete (EU-015, GIOTA KRS-005, MIA MGC-005, WLOTA 1400) on 21-28 April, 2012. He will operate mainly CW on 80-10 metres. QSL via home call, direct only. [425 DX News]

21/04/2012: Ivano I2RFJ, Alberto IV3BSY, Tony IZ2ESV and Andrea IZ2LSC will be active as TM1F from ?le de Ratonneau (EU-095, DIFM ME-003, MIA MF-024, WW Loc. JN23PG), Frioul archipelago, Department Bouches du Rhone/13 and Provence Cote d'Azur (DPF 20) on 21-25 April, 2012. They will operate CW, SSB and digital modes on 80-6 metres with three stations. QSL via IK2DUW, direct or bureau, and LoTW. Log search and further information can be found at: www.timpy.it/tm1f/ [425 DX News]

21/04/2012: An Oceania Dx Group (ODXG) team of 6 amateur radio operators from Australia will once again be activating YJ0VK from Nirvan Resort, Port Vila on

Efate Island (OC-035, WW Loc. RH42DF), Vanuatu, from the 21st of April till the 5th of May. They plan to operate three stations as often as possible on 160-10 metres, with emphasis on the WARC bands. Modes will be SSB, CW and RTTY/PSK31. Operators include Allan VK2CA, Chris VK3QB, Luke VK3HJ, Lee VK3GK, Michael VK3GHM and Benton VK3CBV. QSL via VK2CA, direct only. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. Website: yj0vk.odxg.org/yj0vk2012/default.html [dx-world.net]

22/04/2012: Daniel, ZS6JR, will be active as C91JR from Bilene, Mozambique, between 22 April and 10 May, 2012. This will be a holiday-style operation, mostly operating RTTY or PSK with 100W and vertical antenna. QSL direct to GI4FUM. See www.3da0ss.net for other info. [dx-world.net]

22/04/2012: The Insubria Radio Team will be active as HB9IRC/p from Magadino Park (WFF HBFF-101) and the Forte Olimpo at Magadino (DCS-TI073, WCA HB-00898), Lake Maggiore (WASL-TI002) on 22 April, 2012. Operators will be Massimo HB9TUZ, Claudio HB9EFJ, Luciano HB9FBI, Andy HB9FBJ and Fiore HB9FAQ. QRV mainly on 40m and 20m SSB and CW. This activity is also valid for the Regio Insubrica Award (DRI-HB9004). QSL via HB9OCR, only via the Bureau. [HB9TZA]

22/04/2012: Harry JG7PSJ, will once again be active from Chichi-jima (AS-031, WLOTA 2269, JCG #10007), Ogasawara, as JD1BMH between 22 April and 4 May, 2012. QRV on 80-10 metre CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via the Bureau to JD1BMH or direct only to JG7PSJ. Website: sapphire.es.tohoku.ac.jp/jd1bmh/ [NG3K]

22/04/2012: Jeff, VA3QSL, will be active holiday style from KP4 (IOTA NA-099) Puerto Rico (USi PR006S, WLOTA 2802), including two days on the island of Vieques (USi PR-007S, WLOTA 4042), between 22 April and 4 May, 2012. QRV as KP4/VA3QSL near the IOTA frequencies on 40, 20 and 6 metres, using SSB and CW. Jeff hopes to activate some lighthouses too. He will be using 100 Watts max with a dipole and hamsticks. QSL via home call, direct (with SASE/SAE + sufficient postage) or Bureau. [VA3QSL]

22/04/2012: Operators of RZ1CWC (COTA-RU-Team) will be active on the 22nd of April 2012 from Fortress Yam (WCA UA-00335, COTA-RU R-101, RDA LO-26). QRV on 40, 30, 20 and 17 meters by BPSK, CW and SSB as RZ1CWC/p. QSL via RN1CW, Bureau or direct. Log will be uploaded to WCA E-Log. [RN1CW]

22/04/2012: Franck F4DTO and Patrick F4GFE will be active as ZA100I from Elbasan, Albania, between 22-29 April, 2012. QRV on 40-10m SSB only, using Yaesu FT-450, dipole + vertical for 10m. QSL via F4DTO, Bureau or direct. No eQSL. [dx-world.net]

23/04/2012: Operators JunJian Cong BD4KYA/4, Zhigang Rong BD4KRB/4 and Yongwei Yu BG4KLA/4 will be active from Jiming Dao [Jiming Island] (AS-146, WLOTA 2489, WW Loc. PM17FK), Chengshan Jiao area, Weihai Prefecture, Shandong Province, China, between 23 April and 3 May, 2012. QRV on all HF bands and modes. QSL to home calls by the Bureau or via BA4EG (QRZ.cn QSL forward service). [DXAT]

24/04/2012: Look for Graham MM0GHM, Jason GM7VSB, Allan 2M0VNW and Arthur MM0DHQ to be active as MM0KLR from the isle of Muck (IOSA NH06, SCOTIA DI18), Inner Hebrides (EU-008), from 24 to 28 April, 2012. Expect activity on all HF bands and modes. QSL via the RSGB Bureau to MM0KLR. Direct requests only via MM0GHM (QRZ.com). [rsgbiota.org]

25/04/2012: Operators Kasimir, DL2SBY and Georg, DF1SR will be active from Liechtenstein between 25 April and 5 May, 2012. Activity will be on 80-10 metre CW, SSB and RTTY. HF equipment includes a TS2000, FT900AT, Acom1010, HF9V vertical and a Spiderbeam for 10/12/15/17/20m. There will be EME activity. On 28-29 April, the European EME Contest will take place, and they will be on 13cm.

Between 30 April and 3 May, they will be active on EME on 9cm and 6cm (this would be a first-ever EME activity on both bands from Liechtenstein!). You will find them in the HB9Q-Chat room. EME equipment will be a FT726R, Dish 3, 7m and 2m amplifier for both bands. They will use two separate callsigns for this operation. For the HF bands, they will use HB0/DL2SBY, and for the EME activity they will sign HB0/DF1SR. QSL via their home callsigns by the Bureau or direct. [OPDX Bulletin]

26/04/2012: Bahama Islands Roung Trip - Gabriele, I2VGW, plans to be operating as C6AGW starting 26th April through 6th May 2012 from New Providence main island (NA-001, WLOTA 1115), Bimini islands, (NA-048, WLOTA 2467) and Berry islands [Gr.Stirrup Cay] (NA-054, WLOTA 1903) two quite rare and claimed IOTA references. And, what's more, before he comes back to Italy, from Long island (NA-001, WLOTA 1898). So, copy and listen carefully to catch the right reference and location. It will be a very holiday style operation (with his first mate and supporter that is his wife Roberta) on 80-10 metre SSB, RTTY and PSK31 - sorry, no CW. In any case, as usual, Gabriele will give great emphasis to digital modes and WARC bands but SSB too. He will take a new dipole to test, his Icom 7200, vertical HF3 and a Buddipole. QSL via home call, direct or Bureau. Further information can be found on Gabriele's DXpedition website at: www.mdxc.org/c6agw/ [MDXC]

26/04/2012: Take, JS6RRR and Fusa, JA5DUR/JS6 will be active from Miyako Island (AS-079, WLOTA 0249, JCC 4714, JCG 47004, Grid Loc. PL24), Okinawa Prefecture, between 0900z 26 April and 0000z 7 May, 2012. QRV on 160-6 metre CW, SSB, FM, RTTY and PSK31 (WARC bands included). QSL JA5DUR/JS6 via JA5DUR and JS6RRR via JS6RRR, Bureau preferred. [OPDX Bulletin]

27/04/2012: Look for Jim, MM0BQI, to be active as GB5TI from Lunga Island (IOSA NH17, SCOTIA DI09, WAB NH17), Treshnish Isles, Inner Hebrides (EU-108) between 27 April and 1 May, 2012. QRV on the HF bands, on or near the usual island and IOTA frequencies. QSL Information: Direct, email Bureau requests and LoTW via GB5TI. [rsgbiota.org]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

29/04/2012: Serge, RQ1AP (ex RU9YT), will be active on the 29th and 30th of April 2012 from Novgorod Kremlin (WCA UA-00012, COTA-RU C-112) and from Belaya Tower (WCA UA-00405, COTA-RU C-138). He plans to work as RQ1AP/1 only BPSK (all QSO also valid for ETPA). QSL via home call. Log will be uploaded to WCA E-Log. [RN1CW]

04/05/2012: A team led by Dale, BA4TB, will be active as BY1WXD/5 from Gulangyu Island ["Drum Wave Islet"] (AS-138), Xiamen, Fujian Province, South East China, from 4-7 May, 2012. QRV on all bands and modes. QSL via BA4TB. [IOTA-Chasers]

21/05/2012: Andre, GM3VLB, reports "In the hope of completing what I now call the "SCOTIA challenge", which in my own case means activating the last five of the programme's 200 islands which I haven't yet activated, I am returning to the Orkney (EU-009) group, beginning 21 May, 2012. I have a return booking on 7 June but am prepared to remain in EU-009 longer, if necessary. The 5 remaining islands are Muckle Green Holm (IOSA OR32, SCOTIA OI20), Linga Holm (IOSA OR31, SCOTIA OI21), Eynhallow (IOSA OR24, SCOTIA OI24), Faray (IOSA OR23, SCOTIA OI28) and Calf of Eday (IOSA OR29, SCOTIA OI29). Some are quite difficult to approach and to land on (steep rocky shores) as well as being subject to very strong tidal current (the waters off Eday are in fact the chosen location for testing the latest tidal generators, so near-perfect weather conditions will be required. I believe most may be first-time activations. This will be a solo

operation (XYL Veronica having decided discretion was the better part of valour!). If successful, I hope to continue activating islands, this season, in a more relaxed way, hopefully teaming up with regular island buddy Alex G(M)0DHZ to re-activate some less remote islands, which even some of the high-scoring SCOTIA chasers may have missed - I will be doing an analysis of the records to determine the most wanted." QSL via home call, direct only. [DE0MST]

01/06/2012: Pat, F4EBT, will be active from various islands in French Polynesia, Societe Archipelago, from 1-24 June, 2012. He plans to operate holiday style with 100 Watts as FO/F4EBT from the following islands: Tahiti (OC-046, DIFO FO-002 WLOTA 0885); Moorea Island (OC-046, DIFO FO-010, WLOTA 0465); Raiatea Island (OC-067, DIFO FO-012, WLOTA 1977); Huahine Island (OC-067, DIFO 004, WLOTA 1371); Bora Bora Island (OC-067, DIFO FO-003, WLOTA 0430); and Maupiti Island (OC-067, DIFO FO-008). QSL via home call, direct preferred but Bureau OK. [dx-world.net]

06/06/2012: John, KB4CRT (SMIRK #3932), plans to be active as VP2MRT from Gingerbread Hill, St. Peters Parish, island of Montserrat (NA-103, WLOTA 1475, WW Loc. FK86VS) from 6-12 June, 2012. This will include an entry in the ARRL June VHF QSO Party (9-11 June). Outside the contest look for John to be QRV on 80-2m SSB, some CW, maybe PSK, looking especially for AS and OC. QSL via KB4CRT, direct only. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW within a week of returning. [dx-world.net]

09/06/2012: Andy, N8OFS/p (SMIRK #6737), will be active from EN91or for the ARRL June VHF QSO Party (9-11 June). "I will once again be Broadcasting Live and Direct from the Big Caboose at the beloved AC&J Railroad for the ARRL June VHF QSO Party... This will be my Second of Six trips to the Caboose for 2012... 50W from the Kenwood TS-60 to the 'DOMINATOR'(tm) at 28.5ft, parked and locked on 52.525 MHz FM..." QSL via home call, direct only or e-QSL. [N8OFS]

21/06/2012: Look for Dick, AH6EA and Harry, K9DXA to be active as VY0/homecalls from Rankin Inlet, Kudlulik Peninsula, Kivalliq Region, Nunavut, Canada, between 21 June and 2 July, 2012. A side trip is planned to Marble Island (NA-185, CIsA NT-NEW!) for a few hours between the dates of 25-29 June. QSL via home calls. On 1st July, during Radio Canada Day contest, Dick and Harry will be QRV as VY0RAC (QSL via QRZ.com). [dx-world.net]

12/07/2012: John, W5JON, will again be operating as V47JA from Calypso Bay, island of St. Kitts (NA-104, WW Loc. FK87PG) between 12 July and 2 August, 2012. QRV on 80-6 metre SSB (incl. 60m). Also operation in the RSGB IOTA Contest (28-29 July), Single-Op/All-Band SSB. Radio: Kenwood TS-590S, and SB200 Amplifier. Antennas: 10-80m Multiband Dipole, and S9, 18' and 31' Verticals; 6m - 3el Yagi. XYL Cathy (W5HAM), will also occasionally operate as V47HAM. ALL QSL's to John's home call: W5JON, direct only. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [dx-world.net]

20/07/2012: Look for Peter ON8ZZ, Dominiek ON3JA and Frederik ON3NT to be active as MJ/OT9Z from La Moye, isle of Jersey (EU-013, WLOTA 0818), from 20-27 July, 2012. QRV on all HF bands, CW and SSB. QSL goes to OT9Z, via the UBA QSL Bureau. [rsgbiota.org]

27/10/2012: Al, F5VHJ, will be active as 6W1RY from Dakar, Senegal, as a Single-Op/All-Band/High-Power entry in the CQWW DX SSB Contest (27-28 October). QSL via F5VHJ, direct or Bureau. [NG3K]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

20/04/2012: The Amateur Radio Section of ORF (the Austrian Broadcasting Corporation) and the Documentary Archives Radio Communications/QSL Collection will operate special event station OE12M on 20-22 April, 2012. This is an official "International Marconi Day" station and contacts made on 21 April will count for the IMD Award. QSL via OE1WHC, direct or bureau. [425 DX News]

20/04/2012: North Cork Radio Group will be activating the Mizen Head Signal Station Visitors Centre, County Cork, Ireland (EU-115, WLOTA 2484) for Marconi weekend. The callsign, EI0IMD, will be on the air from 20 to 22 April, 2012. This activation also counts for the Fastnet lighthouse (ARLHS IRE-034, TWLHD WLH EI-021). QSL via EI1NC. [GB2RS]

21/04/2012: The Chelmsford Amateur Radio Society (CARS) will be operating as GB100MWT for International Marconi Day on 21 April, 2012. QRV on the HF bands, CW and SSB, from the Marconi Hut at Sandford Mill and from a tent using AM from a Marconi 1154 Transmitter with a 1155 Receiver operated by Peter Bridgeman, G3SUY. QSL via RSGB Bureau or direct to G0MWT (QRZ.com). All contacted will be eligible for the Marconi Award. [Southgate ARC]

21/04/2012: Ripon and District Amateur Radio Society, Ripon, North Yorkshire, England (EU-005, WLOTA 1841), are organising the first Inns and Pubs on the Air (IPA) weekend. Using GB2TH they will be operating from the base of the Tan Hill Inn (IPA1), North Yorkshire, (WW Loc. IO83WN) on 21 and 22 April. The location is the highest licensed premises in Great Britain at 1732 feet ASL. QSL via G4SJM. If you have a local licensed meeting place that has a history attached to it and would like to operate for the weekend then please e-mail ipawaylock.co.uk. Further information about Inns and Pubs On The Air (IPA), please visit www.ripon.org.uk/ [GB2RS]

21/04/2012: Oxford and District Amateur Radio Society will be operating from the Museum of the History of Science in the centre of Oxford, England (EU-005, WLOTA 1841), with the callsign GB4MHS on 21 April, 2012. The museum is the home of the Marconi Collection of his original experimental and production wireless equipment. Other events during the day include a talk by Brian Hawes, G2KQ, on Wireless at the time of the Titanic, sending Morse code and an auction of Marconi memorabilia. A commerative QSL card will be issued and the station will be active on 40, 20 and 10 metres. QSL to G4FON via the RSGB Bureau. For details and times see: www.mhs.ox.ac.uk/events. [GB2RS]

21/04/2012: The Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club (MUARC) will be celebrating International Marconi Day by mobilizing at Navan Fort, Armagh, Northern Ireland (EU-115, WLOTA 1439), on Saturday 21st April, using the Club call MN0VFW and will be operating right through to Sunday afternoon 22nd April, 2012. QSL via MI0VAX, Bureau preferred. [Southgate ARC]

21/04/2012: ARI Olbia will participate in the 25th International Marconi Day (21 April 2012) as IY0GA from Cape Figari, Golfo Aranci (Sardinia, EU-024, IIA SD-001, MIA MIS-035, WLOTA 1608), where Guglielmo Marconi carried out a microwave test with Rocca di Papa (Rome) on 11 August 1932. QSL via IS0JMA, direct or Bureau. [425 DX News]

21/04/2012: TCSWAT (TC Special Wireless Activity team) will once again activate the special callsign TC57A between 21-26 April, 2012. Activity is to commemorate the 57th Regiment Martyrs who lost their lives in the Canakkale War. TC57A will be QRV on all HF bands, using SSB, CW and PSK. QSL via TA1HZ, direct or Bureau. Website: www.tcswat.org/ [TCSWAT]

21/04/2012: The Telford & District Amateur Radio Society will be active as GB8MD for International Marconi Day on 21 April, 2012. They will operate from a field adjacent to the Marconi Receiving site at Tywyn, Gwynedd County, Wales

(WAB SH50, WW Loc. IO72XN, EU-005, WLOTA 0453). Their aim is to beat last year's record of 470 contacts in 34 different countries in SSB and CW. QSL is via RSGB Bureau or direct to M0PNN. Website: www.tdars.org.uk/ [Southgate ARC]

26/04/2012: Well here we are again, it's time for the Wray Scarecrow Festival and for those of you who have never been to this event, you will be quite surprised if you pass through Wray (Grid Loc. IO84), in Lancashire, between the 28th April and 7th May. Wray is a small village in Lancashire, England (EU-005, WLOTA 1841), part of the civil parish of Wray-with-Botton, in the City of Lancaster district. We have the callsign GB4WSF from 26 April to 08 May, 2012. The main day for operating will be on Bank Holiday Monday 7th May and we will be operating from a prime position on the main field where all the events and rural craft demonstrations take place. We will also be operating on other days for short periods on most of the HF, VHF, UHF bands in the vicinity. QSL direct only to GB4WSF (Stephany A Kirkwood, Oysterber Farm Burton Road, Low Bentham, Lancaster LA2 7ET, England). [Southgate ARC]

U.S.A. Special Events can be found at: www.arrl.org/special-event-stations

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LIGHTHOUSE CALENDAR -

20/04-22/04 EI0IMD: Ireland (Eire) WLOTA:2484 QSL EI1NC (d/b)
21/04 GB100MWT: England (Main Island) WLOTA:1841 QSL RSGB Buro
21/04-22/04 GB2TH: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL G4SJM (d/b)
21/04 GB4MHS: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL G4FON (b)
21/04 GB8MD: Wales (main island) WLOTA:0453 QSL RSGB Buro
21/04 IY0GA: Sardinia WLOTA:1608 QSL IS0JMA (d/b)
21/04-22/04 MN0VFW: Northern Ireland WLOTA:1439 QSL MI0VAX (b)
21/04-28/04 SV9/OH1VR: Nisos Kriti WLOTA:1400 QSL HC (d)
22/04-04/05 JD1BMH: Chichi Shima WLOTA:2269 QSL Buro / JG7PSJ (d)
22/04-04/05 KP4/VA3QSL: Puerto Rico Island WLOTA:2802 QSL HC (d/b)
22/04-04/05 KP4/VA3QSL: Vieques Island WLOTA:4042 QSL HC (d/b) (2 days)
23/04-03/05 BD4KRB/4: Jiming Dao WLOTA:2489 QSL HC (d/b)
23/04-03/05 BD4KYA/4: Jiming Dao WLOTA:2489 QSL HC (d/b)
23/04-03/05 BG4KLA/4: Jiming Dao WLOTA:2489 QSL HC (d/b)
26/04-06/05 C6AGW: New Providence WLOTA:1115 QSL I2VGW (d/b)
26/04-06/05 C6AGW: Berry Islands WLOTA:1903 QSL I2VGW (d/b)
26/04-06/05 C6AGW: South Bimini WLOTA:2467 QSL I2VGW (d/b)
26/04-06/05 C6AGW: Long Island WLOTA:1898 QSL I2VGW (d/b)
26/04-08/05 GB4WSF: England (main island) WLOTA:1841 QSL QRZ.com
26/04-07/05 JA5DUR/JS6: Miyako Shima WLOTA:0249 QSL HC (b)
26/04-07/05 JS6RRR: Miyako Shima WLOTA:0249 QSL Buro

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6 METRES & UP -

21/04-22/04 Oklahoma QSO Party 6m/2m included 21 1700z-22 1700z
21/04-22/04 Ontario QSO Party 6m-70cm included 21 1800z-22 1800z
21/04-25/04 TM1F: Ile de Ratonneau EU-095 Grid:JN23 6m CW/SSB QSL IK2DUW (d/b)
22/04-04/05 KP4/VA3QSL: Puerto Rico NA-099 Grid:FK68 6m CW/SSB QSL HC (d/b)
22/04-04/05 KP4/VA3QSL: Vieques NA-099 Grid:FK78 6m CW/SSB QSL HC (d/b)
24/04 LY 2.4GHz & Up Activity Contest CW/SSB/FM 24 1700z-2059z
24/04 NRAU Microwave Activity Contest SO/MO/Open 24 1700z-2100z
24/04 RSGB 50MHz UKAC SO/Fixed/Open 2000z-2230z
24/04 The 50MHz Open Cumulative 24 1700z-2100z
25/04 SKCC Straight Key Sprint 6m CW 25 0000z-0200z
25/04 Spring VHF/UHF Sprints 432MHz 09 1900-2300 local time
26/04-08/05 GB4WSF: Wray Scarecrow Festival Grid:IO84 V/UHF bands QSL QRZ.com

26/04-07/05 JA5DUR/JS6: Miyako Island AS-079 Grid:PL24 6m all mode QSL HC (b)
26/04-07/05 JS6RRR: Miyako Island AS-079 Grid:PL24 6m all mode QSL Buro

Contest Calendar: www.qsl.net/va3rj/con_apr.html

GOT6??? - Six Meter Information by Andy 'NEON' Sargent N8OFS at:
http://noars.net/got6/GOT6.txt (Updated 19 April, 2012)

Information about current VHF activities can be found on the VHF DX portal "Make More Miles on VHF" at: www.MMMonVHF.de/

SMIRK: www.smirk.org/
SOTA (Summits On The Air) Watch Alerts at: www.sotawatch.org/
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QSL INFORMATION -

QSLs via Bureau: 3D2DX, 3A2ND, 5R8IC, 6M?W/4, 6M?W/5, 9X?Z, AH2Y, AH?DX, C21AV, D2QMN, D44TBV, CN2A, H4?HL, J5V, JD1BIE, JD1BLY, JD1BMH, JD1BMM, JT1GCW, KH2/WX8C, T8CW, T88RX and XT2AEF.

QSLs via Direct: 3D2T [OC-016] (VK4FW), 8P5Y (K9CS), 8P9WH (K9CS), 9N7BM (JA8UWT), 9Y4LAS (QRZ.com), 9Y4NW (EB7DX), A45XR (QRZ.com), DU1/F4BKV [OC-244] (H/c), EA9/G3TXF (H/c), EX2T (QRZ.com), FM/F6AUS (H/c), HI3K (KB2MS), J6/K9CJM [NA-108] (H/c), JX5O [EU-022] (SQ8X), OA4SS (KB6J), P4?W (N2MM), P49Y (AE6Y), PA/ON5TC [EU-146] (H/c), PJ2T (W3HNK), PJ4Z (K4BAI), PS5F [SA-088] (PP5BZ), RI1FJA (RX3MM), T2T [OC-015] (VK4FW), TI5W (N3IYM), TL?CW (DK7PE), TX3T [OC-046] (RZ3EC), TX6T/P (G3TXF), TX7M [OC-027] (RZ3EC), V21ZG (DL7AFS), V31RR (AI4U), V31SG [NA-073] (K?UU), V31TP (WC?W), VK?TH (JE1LET), VP6T (G3TXF), XF1AA [NA-189] (IT9EJW), XT2IVU (JA3IVU), YB8XM [OC-070] (YB9BU), ZD7XF (G3TXF), ZD8W [AF-003] (W6NV) and ZD8Z (AI4U).

QSLs via LoTW: 8P5A, 9A5Y, 9A8A, GW9T, HK1MW, HL2IFR, HQ2N, IR4M, JG3RPL, KH6MB, KH7Y, KP2/K3CT, LZ9W, N1BJ/KH2, PJ4Z, PS2T, TI5N, TM9R, UB5IJG, UU?JM, UU7J, V25AA, V63BJ, XE1EE, ZW?S, ZX2B and ZZ2T.
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LINKS -
IOTA (Islands On The Air) at: www.rsgbiota.org/
WCA (World Castles on the Air) at: www.wcagroup.org/ENG/wcag.html
WFF (World Flora & Fauna) at: www.wff44.org/program/wff/
WLOTA (World Lighthouses On The Air at: www.wlota.com/
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KH8/KL7RRC - AMERICAN SAMOA
Yuri, N3QQ and Dick, N7RO plan to be active from Pago Pago, Tutuila island (OC-045, USi AS007S, WLOTA 4385), either end of May or beginning June 2012 as KH8/KL7RRC for one week. They will be QRV on 10-40m, but the main purpose of trip is business related (installing 2-way systems.) When in Pago Pago, they will be meeting FWS officials and boat owners discussing the possibility of activating the very rare Rose Atoll (OC-190, USi AS004S) with a view to being QRV from there in December / January. If interested in joining the proposed Rose Atoll expedition, contact Yuri N3QQ. QSL via N7RO.
*Reminder that KL7RRC also hopes to be active from IOTA NA-240 NEW in May 2012.

YV - PATOS ISLAND - CALLSIGN CHANGE
A team from the Caracas DX Group will be active as YW5PI from the rare Patos Island (SA-048, DIV-068, WLOTA 0499, WW Loc. FK90BP) between 19-22 April, 2012. This is only the second expedition to take place from Patos, due to its remoteness and difficult access. The first DXpedition was made by the CDXG 21

years ago, making it the most requested and sought after IOTA in Venezuela. The team will operate on all HF bands and modes. QSL via DM4TI. Website: www.qrz.com/db/YW5PI [dx-world.net]

C6AGW - PRESS RELEASE 2 - TESTING IN THE RAIN

During the week-end, under the Italian rains (cats and dogs raining, hi) Gabriele, I2VGW has tested all the antennas and the equipments for his Bahamas round trip. As announced he plans to be operating as C6AGW starting April 26th through May 6th from the Bimini islands, NA-048 and/or Berry islands (NA-054) quite rare IOTA references and, of course, also from New Providence and Long Island, Great Bahama Bank (NA-001). Following also the requests of many lighthouses chasers Gabriele would like to confirm that all these references will be printed on his QSL card. That meaning: New Providence main Is. LH 1115 and NA-001; Long Is. LH 1898 and NA-001 Bimini (South) LH 2467 and NA-048 Berry Is. (Gr.Stirrup Cay) LH 1903 and NA-054. We remind you that this new Gabriele's adventure will be an holiday style operation. In any case Gabriele, as usual, will give great emphasis to digital modes and Warc bands but he'll keep in his mind SSB too. He'll take with him his Icom 7200, an Hampole, a KW5 and a Buddipole. For more info and any updates visit the dxped web site: www.mdxc.org/c6agw

Gabriele will be supported by MDXC with log online, news in realtime, pictures and videos. [MDXC]

International Marconi Day takes place on 21 April. Details of the many stations taking part can be found at www.gb4ind.com/ [GB2RS

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73 and Good DX!

Dave Raycroft, VA3RJ

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